

Continuity in Representation (by a recorded vote of 143 ayes to 268 noes, Roll No. 299);

Pages H4952–54, H4959

Jo Ann Davis of Virginia amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 109–144) that sought to strike the language in the bill prohibiting the Capitol Police from operating a mounted horse unit, and requiring the transfer of the current horses and equipment to the U.S. Park Police (by a recorded vote of 185 ayes to 226 noes, Roll No. 300); and

Pages H4954–56, H4959–60

Hefley amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 109–144) that sought to reduce overall appropriations in the bill by 1 percent (by a recorded vote of 114 ayes to 294 noes, Roll No. 301).

Pages H4958–59, H4960–61

H. Res. 334, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a recorded vote of 220 ayes to 192 noes, Roll No. 298, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea and nay vote of 219 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 297.

Pages H4932–34

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea and nay votes and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4923–24, H4925, H4926–27, H4927–28, H4933, H4933–34, H4959, H4959–60, H4960–61, H4961–62, and H4962. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:13 p.m.

Committee Meetings

USDA FOREST SERVICE CENTENNIAL

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to Review the Centennial of the USDA Forest Service. Testimony was heard from Dale Bosworth, Chief, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

U.S. COAST GUARD, DEEPWATER PROGRAM

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on U.S. Coast Guard, Deepwater Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security: ADM Thomas Collins, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard; and RADM Patrick Stillman, USCG, Executive Officer, Deepwater Program.

U.N. TASK FORCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Science, The Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the United Nations Task Force. Testimony was heard from the following Co-Chairs of the Task Force on the United

Nations: former Senator George Mitchell of Maine; and former Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich of Georgia; and Philo Dibble, Acting Assistant Secretary, International Organizations, Department of State.

AFGHANISTAN: OPERATIONS AND RECONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on Afghanistan: Operations and Reconstruction. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Peter Rodman, Assistant Secretary, International Security Affairs; and LTG Walter Sharp, USA, Director, Strategic Plans and Policy, J–5, The Joint Staff; and Nancy Powell, Assistant Secretary, International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, Department of State.

BUDGET PROCESS

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on Budgeting in the Congress, Reflections on How the Budget Process Functions. Testimony was heard from former Representative Bill Frenzel of Minnesota; and public witnesses.

PENSION PROTECTION ACT OF 2005

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 2830, Pension Protection Act of 2005.

NATIONAL ALL SCHEDULES PRESCRIPTION ELECTRONIC REPORTING ACT OF 2005; MEDICAID PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 1132, National All Schedules Prescription Electronic Reporting Act of 2005.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing entitled “Medicaid Prescription Drugs: Examining Options for Payment Reform.” Testimony was heard from Douglas Holtz-Eakin, Director, CBO; Kathy King, Director, Health Care, GAO; and public witnesses.

COMBATING TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology held a hearing entitled “Combating Trafficking in Persons: An International Perspective.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEDERAL REAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled “Wasted Space, Wasted Dollars: The Need for Federal Real Property Management Reform.” Testimony was heard from Clay Johnson, Deputy Director, Management, OMB; and David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO.

REPORT—CITIZENS GUIDE USING FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT AND PRIVACY ACT TO REQUEST GOVERNMENT RECORDS; FEDERAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Management, Finance, and Accountability approved for full Committee action a report entitled “A Citizens Guide on Using the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act of 1974 to Request Government Records.”

The Subcommittee also held a hearing entitled “The Evolution of Federal Financial Management—A Review of the Need to Consolidate, Simplify, and Streamline.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BORDER SECURITY/BIOMETRIC PASSPORTS

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Economic Security, Infrastructure, Protection, and Cybersecurity held a hearing entitled “Ensuring the Security of America’s Borders through the Use of Biometric Passports and Other Identity Documents.” Testimony was heard from Elaine Dezenski, Acting Assistant Secretary, Directorate for Border and Transportation Security, Department of Homeland Security; Frank Moss, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Consular Affairs, Department of State; Martin Herman, Information Access Division Chief, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; Gregory Wilshusen, Director, Information Security Issues, GAO; and a public witness.

SUDAN

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Sudan: Consolidating Peace While Confronting Genocide. Testimony was heard from Robert B. Zoellick, Deputy Secretary, Department of State.

E.U. CONSTITUTION AND U.S.-E.U. RELATIONS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Europe and Emerging Threats held a hearing on The EU Constitution and U.S.-EU Relations: The Recent Referenda in France and the Netherlands and the U.S.-EU Summit. Testimony was heard from John Bruton, Head, Delegation of the European Commission; Arlette Conzemius, Ambassador of Luxembourg.

WATER SUPPLY RELIABILITY

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held an oversight hearing entitled “Environmental Regulations and Water Supply Reliability.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, EDUCATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS, FY 2006

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3010, a bill making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. Under the rules of the House the bill shall be read for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill), except as specified in the resolution. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the *Congressional Record*. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Regula.

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2005

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 2864, Water Resources Development Act of 2005.

OVERSIGHT—AIRLINE PENSIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held an oversight hearing on Airline Pensions: Avoiding Further Collapse. Testimony was heard from Jayetta Z. Hecker, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO; and Bradley D. Belt, Executive Order, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: business meeting to markup H.R. 2744, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, H.R. 2862, making appropriations for Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and H.R. 2985, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, 2 p.m., SD-106.